Providing telephone connections in Uttar Pradesh villages

1984. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister- of COMMUNICA TIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Uttar Pradesh which "have not so far been provided with telephone connections; and

(b) by when telephone connections are likely to be provided in these villages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) 108426 villages in Uttar Pradesh are not having telephone connections so far.

(b) By 2000 A.D. subject to availability of resources.

Publication of Telephone Directory of Mangaldai, Assam

1985. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAK RAVARTY: Will the Minister of COM MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that telephone directory of Mangaldai, the district headquarters of Darrang, Assam has not been published for the last eleven years and the subscribers have been put to great difficulties;

(b) whether Government have sent any directives to the concerned departments for speedy publication of the directory for the convenience of subscribers; and

(c) if so,- by when the directory would be made available to the subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir. The last issue of Directory was published in 1981.

(b) Yes-, Sir.

(c) The new directory has since beer published and released in January, 1989.

Reconstitution of Telephone Advisory Committees

1986. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Telecom. Advisory Committees are not reconstituted promptly after the expiry of their terms;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to reconstitute these Committees immediately after their expiry or make the announcement of the next committee before the expiry of the term of the existing Committee which may come into effec from the notified date; and

(c) the numbeT of Telecom. Advisory Committees all over the country which are yet to be reconstituted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Action to reconstitute a TAC is commenced well in advance before the expiry of its current tenure. However, in some cases, delay occur in selecting the representatives from various walks of life such as Trade and Commerce, Press, Legal Profession etc.

(c) Ten TACs whose terms have ex-' pired are under the process of reconstitution.

पारीछा ताप विद्युत केन्द्र का कार्यकरण

1987. **डा० गोविन्द दास रिछारिया:** क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या झांसी के निकट बने पारीछा ताप विद्युत केन्द्र के दो यूनिटों का कार्यकरण तेकनीकी दृष्टि से संतोषजनक है, यदि नहीं, तो उनके कार्य-करण को निर्धारित मानदंड के अनुरूप बनाने के लिये क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे है

(ख) मूलतः प्रस्तावित स्कीम के अनुसार तथा 660 किलोवाट विद्युत उत्पादन के लक्ष्य को हासिल करने के लिये इस केन्द्र के विस्तार हेतु क्या कार्रवाई की जा रही है; और

(ग) विस्तार कार्य कब तक शुरू हो जाने की संभावना है?

ऊर्जा मंत्रालय के विद्युत विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्प नाथ राय: (क) जी, हां। अप्रैल, 1988 से फरवरी, 1989 के दौरान परीछा ताप विद्युत केन्द्र के दो यूनिटों का कुल विद्युत उत्पादन 875 म० यू० था। अप्रैल, 1988 से फरवरी, 1989 के दौरान इस ताप विद्युत केन्द्र का संयंत्र भार अनुपात 49०6% था जबकि लक्ष्य 58०5% था।

(ख) और (ग) उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार द्वारा परीछा ताप विद्युत केन्द्र (2×210 मेगावाट) के विस्तार हेतु एक प्रस्ताव जून, 1979 में के० वि० प्राधिकरण को भेजा गया था। 1989-90 से पहले कोयला लिंकेज उपलब्ध न होने और छठी योजना में निधियां उपलब्ध न होने के कारण के० वि० प्राधिकरण में इस स्कीम के बारे में आगे विचार नहीं किया गया था। स्कीम को वर्ष 1989-90 के पश्चात इससे लाभ प्राप्त करने हेतु प्रस्तुत करने संबंधी अनुरोध सहित इसे राज्य सरकार को वापिस लौटा दिया गया था। फरवरी, 1987 में राज्य सरकार द्वारा सूचित किया गया था कि परियोजना को अब 1994-95 के दौरान चालू किए जाने का प्रस्ताव है और संशोधित रिपोर्ट के० वि० प्राधिकरण को यथासमय भेज दी जाएगी। उक्त रिपोर्ट अभी तक प्राप्त नहीं हुई हैं।

Special Grievances Cells in D.E.SU.

1988. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking (DESU) has commissioned two special grievances cells for speedy redressal of complaints;

(b) if so, what are the purposes and functions assigned to these cells and the number of complaints received and disposed of by them till date;

(c) whether such a system existed in DESU earlier also, if so what was the need for these cells and in what way they are different; and

(d) whether grievances cells are empowered to dispose of complaints with regard to financial matters like excess billing through faulty metering, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (d) Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking has set-up two types of special grievance Committees at circle and district level in the month of September, 1988, These Committees have been formed in place of three such Committees formed earlier in December, 1987 to look into and redress consumer complaints relating to non-issue of electricity bills, wrong assessment, excess recoveries, new connections, no current complaints, street lighting, replacement of defective meters and/or any other consumer complaint.

With the constitution of these Committees, the work of redressal of consumer complaints has been streamlined by laying down a formal procedure for filing and disposal of the complaints.

The number of complaints received by these Committees upto 9.3.1989 is 568. Out of these 408 complaints have been disposed off.

Agreement with Canada for loan to Coal India Ltd.

1989. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Canadian delegation visited India in February, 1989 and had discussions with the Minister of Energy; and

(b) if so, whether any agreement for providing loan to the Coal India Limited was reached and signed and if so, what are the main features of the agreement?